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Re: Application of TAKAYUKI NIHEI
 A PERIPHERAL UNIT FOR A PROGRAMMABLE CONTROLLER
 Our Ref: Q61053

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Continuation Application of Takayuki NIHEI pending prior Application No. PCT/JP99/02737 filed May 25, 1999 of entitled A PERIPHERAL UNIT FOR A PROGRAMMABLE CONTROLLER.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and Abstract, 7 sheets of drawings, an executed Declaration/Power of Attorney, the executed Assignment with PTO-1595, the PCT Search Report and an Information Disclosure Statement, with Form PTO-1449 listing known references.

**PLEASE NOTE: This application is being filed as a
 Continuation of PCT/JP99/02737 pursuant to MPEP §§1895 and 1896.**

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>6</u>	-	<u>20</u>	=	<u></u>	x \$18.00 =	<u>\$0.00</u>
Independent claims	<u>1</u>	-	<u>3</u>	=	<u></u>	x \$80.00 =	<u>\$0.00</u>
Base Fee							\$860.00

TOTAL FILING FEE	<u>\$860.00</u>
Recordation of Assignment	<u>\$ 40.00</u>
TOTAL FEE	<u>\$900.00</u>

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$860.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.492 which may be required during the entire

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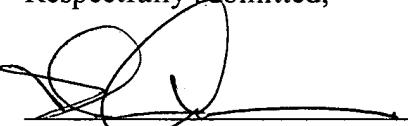
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pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

There is no claim to foreign priority.

Respectfully submitted,



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